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## New Appraiser Board and Broker Lawyer Committee Members; Agency Seeking Inspector Committee Volunteers

Governor Rick Perry has appointed new members to the TALC Board and to TREC's Broker Lawyer Committee. TREC seeks volunteers to serve on its Inspector Committee.

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Governor Rick Perry appointed two new members to the Texas Appraiser Licensing & Certification Board (TALCB); appraiser member Laurie C. Fontana of Houston and public member Shannon K. McClendon of Dripping Springs, both with terms to expire January 31, 2012. In addition, Susan Sampson of Austin has been appointed as a public member of the Texas Real Estate Broker Lawyer Committee, with a term expiring August 31, 2015.

Laurie Fontana has been a practicing real estate appraiser since 1991 and is the owner of LF Appraisal and Consulting, LLC. Ms. Fontana is a Certified Residential Appraiser and a member of the National Association of Independent Fee Appraisers and the National Association of Realtors. She attended Texas State University and received a degree from the Bradford School of Business.

Shannon McClendon is currently a shareholder at Webking McClendon, PC in Austin. Ms. McClendon is a member of the State Bar of Texas and the Gulf Coast Power Association. She most recently served on the Texas Board of Professional Engineers. McClendon received a bachelor's degree from the University of Houston at Clear Lake and a law degree from the University of Houston Law Center.

Susan Sampson formerly served as director of the Texas Auto Burglary and Theft Prevention Authority and is currently retired. She is a past director of the Office of the Attorney General's Child Support Enforcement Volunteer Program. Sampson attended Lamar University and received a bachelor's degree from California Coast University.

TREC and TALCB have a challenging mission and these appointees will play a key role in protecting consumers of real estate related services in the state of Texas. The agency welcomes the contributions of these new volunteer members.

The agency is also currently seeking interested applicants to serve on its Inspector Committee, an advisory body that makes recommendations to the Commission for effective regulation of real estate inspectors. TREC is accepting nomination packages for two Professional Inspectors and one public member to serve six-year terms. More information is available on the agency's website at www.trec.tx.us under the "What's New" link.